

PATENT APPLICATION

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 1745**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Kenji HASHIMOTO et al.

Group Art Unit: 1745

Application No.: 09/623,023

Examiner: S. N. Tsang Foster

Filed: October 20, 2000

Docket No.: 107016

For: FUEL CELL AND MANUFACTURING METHOD OF SEPARATOR FOR USE
IN FUEL CELL (as twice amended)

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the December 20, 2002 Final Office Action, the shortened statutory period for reply being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application with sections as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims;

Amendments to the Drawings include an attachment replacement sheet attached replacement sheets; and

Remarks.

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